

I understand Sinclair Broadcasting is forcing their stations nation wide to air an anti-Kerry documentary called Stolen Honor just a few days before the election. If so this is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and their attempt to manipulate the public airwaves for their own political agenda.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. I believe the broadcast licenses issued to Sinclair Broadcasting need to be reviewed based on their politically motivated use of our airwaves. Thank you for your attention to this matter as it is very important for the public to get fair and unbiased information from our media.